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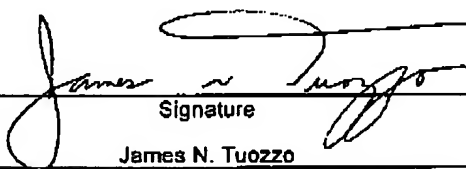
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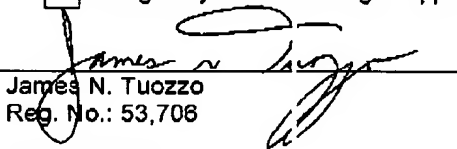
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| Applicant(s): James N. Tuozzo | | | | | |
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Filed : December 29, 2003 Examiner: Mark HENDERSON
Title : **FASTENING ARRANGEMENT FOR DETACHABLY
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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